**A slim win for Roy Simmons**

Underdog beats Robinson by 1.9 percent in runoff

By Chris Edwards, editor in chief

It was a second chance to make the final impression. And Roy Simmons capitalized on his opportunity to become the new student body president.

Simmons captured 50.9 percent (50.9 percent) to get 1,917 votes over Tuesday's run-off election by a slim 1.9 percent margin, after losing the first vote to his challenge.

The Simmons supporters in the DeKeser Acton were jubilant, causing the voter on their shoulders to the ceiling as current SGA president Chris Stewart made the announcement.

After the excitement faded, Simmons gave praise to his campaign staff.

"I think that people caught on to the fact that we had...that we're committed to excellence and that is what we're striving for next year," he explained. "Ever since the votes with the campaign, we can capture the vision with our presidency," Simmons said.

The run-off election was caused by a clause in the SGA constitution, which stipulates that a candidate must win by 15 percent in a race with three or more.

It was the second time the second-place candidate from the first vote.

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**Smith resigns as Residence Life dean**

University still looking for his replacement

By Jessica Miller, assistant editor

After nine years as Dean of Residence Life, Brad Smith has announced his resignation from that position, effective at the end of this semester.

Smith will be leaving the Residence Life Office to become associate dean of students at Cedarville College, a Christian college in Cedarville, Ohio.

"This had plans of moving, liberty...but..." Smith said, "In February a Head recruiter called me and said there was a position available and I wanted to know if I'd like to be considered for it." Smith said, "It wasn't an easy decision, Smith, who completed both his undergraduate and master's degrees at Liberty, held position that is critical student director and claims as the residence dean of students before becoming the dean of residence life in 1991."

"This was a difficult decision because we have a lot of room here. My wife and kids have spent time here...and I've been here 20 years that I've been a part of Liberty," Smith said.

Smith described his experience at Liberty as "wonderful," and said leaving Liberty would be bittersweet, because he has many close friends.

"I don't know if my best friends are on this side, Smith said. "The greatest blessing has been working with the people." Although Smith had not planned on leaving, he made the decision to resign so that Liberty can begin finding his replacement.

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**A lovely day**

Out of Eden, Grits bring "Urban Tour" show to Vines Center for College for a Weekend

By Christopher Knox, reporter

Out of Eden, Knoedelwechs and Grits appeared in the Vines Center Friday night with a mixed performance of their hip-hop, R&B and rock music hits. The three contemporary Christian groups are touring together for the Urban Tour organized by former Liberty students.

Out of Eden performed hits from the group's new album "No Turning Back" over loud cheers from the crowd as numerous songs from their previous albums. The group had an especially big response from their performance of the songs "Window" and "Leave Me Alone." a hit hit from their album, "Lovin' the Day."

Vines Eugene, a junior from Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. said, "I like Christian rap and R&B. It was off the chain good and had the crowd going."

Freshman Cheryl Dayton from Newport News, Va. had the same tune.

"Their best part was when they prayed. They had the totally right attitude when they gave glory to God," Dayton said.


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**About**

**Album Release Show**

Lee Thompson will host an album release show on April 29 at the Upper Room. For more information, contact LOR at 229-0501.

**Feed the Need**

"Feed the Need" the event, recently known as "Commestible" will be held Friday, April 21. The concert will be held at the Vines Center for College for a Weekend.

Advance tickets will be available April 17 at the New Ufe Christian Stores and the Liberty Bookstore. Tickets are $8 to advance and $10 at the door, and all proceeds will benefit the needs of many hungry students at Liberty. Smith said.

**Building**

Wards Road sees retail boom; new jobs available for LU students, local residents

By Angela Helton, reporter

Cracker Barrel, Best Buy, and Target are expected to join Liberty's local economy by the end of the summer, bringing new job opportunities for Liberty students and Lynchburg locals.

The Cracker Barrel, located next to Wal-Mart on Wards Road, is projected to open Aug. 7, 2000. Typically, Cracker Barrel stores start advertisements to hire workers three weeks before opening date, according to Jennifer Presley, a communications coordinator. Each store generally employs 150 people.

"When we first started building 30 years ago, we wanted Cracker Barrel as a good place for weary travelers to stop and browse and get something good to eat," Presley said. "Recently, we've found that the local folks like the Cracker Barrel— and just visitors."

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**Out**

**TUESDAY**


**WEDNESDAY**

Showers. High 69, Low 54. Partly cloudy. High 72, Low 52.

**THURSDAY**

Partly cloudy. High 72, Low 50.

**FRIDAY**

Sunny. High 80, Low 50.

**SATURDAY**

Graduate program enhanced for distance learners
School of Education tests distance option for masters and doctoral degree programs

The on-campus courses are provided in a weekend format during the fall and spring semesters or during the summer. Current classroom teachers and administrators may choose this program to add another endorsement area or to increase earning potential with completion of a graduate degree.

A doctor of education in educational leadership is offered for those who have already earned a master's degree.

School licensure is available for the master of education in administration and supervision, elementary education, or special education.

One feature of the graduate education program is the distance learning option. Students may choose to complete their doctor of education in educational leadership with a master's degree in education or with state-approved requirements.

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book that has been translated into Russian, Spanish and Hindi. The group will visit a military base outside Moscow as well as public schools and hospitals. Each member will take medical supplies to hospitals and schools along with interpreters to help them witness one on one. The group will return June 21.

Diemer's book answers the question of life after death in very simple terms, presenting the gospel clearly and concisely. It illustrates heaven and hell through biblical quotations and pictures. The 48-page book costs 25 cents per copy. Diemer first wrote the book after her studies in children's literature at the University of Virginia.

Diemer found someone to translate the book into Russian, she founded Books Without Borders, a non-profit organization. Together with her husband, Dr. Carl Diemer and 11 people, including LU students and faculty and members of Leesville Baptist Church, she traveled to Russia to distribute the books.

Diemer and General Borisov, a Russian military official, saw the book while visiting a church in the U.S. and was drawn in its colorful illustrations and meaningful text. Borisov had in the past persecuted Christians in the former Soviet Union. When a helicopter carrying Borisov and 11 other soldiers was attacked in the battlefield, he cried out to God for help. The helicopter crashed and Diemer was the only survivor of the attack. Diemer said the general asked her to take the book to his heart after this incident.

Later when Borisov read Diemer's book, he contacted her and requested that one million copies be produced for distribution in the Russian Military. Later he requested 175,000 more for the Russian troops. 175,000 others for the Russian public schools and 15,000 more for distribution to the Russian military in the summer. "One of the most exciting things is that we can actually go to these countries and take the books to them ourselves. I don't know of a faster way to get the gospel out to Russia than through the military because approximately one million people serve in the military," Diemer said.

"They have very few books in the library unlike here in America and even very few, so they treasure them and pass them around. They live in buildings with up to eight stories with hundreds of families so it's easy to pass the book around." Diemer

Dr. M. A. Thomas, father of a Liberty graduate, requested that an unbelievable 600 million books be published for every person in India who can read.

"There are 970 million people in India and 40 percent illiterate," Diemer said.

"I don't know of a faster way to get the gospel out in Russia than through the military because approximately one million people serve in the military."

—Dr. Carolyn Diemer

"When he asked for this I laughed, but later the Lord convicted me. I remembered what happened to women in the Bible who laughed at what God wanted so I asked God to forgive me and help me raise the money to produce 600 million copies." Diemer raised money for the books through letters and two videos produced by Dr. Steve Troxel, a professor at Liberty. Alumni and current members of the Liberty community make a lot of contributions to the ministry. Any contributions should be made to Books Without Borders, P.O. Box 3517, Lynchburg, VA 24502

Spohn steps down as dean; Hawkins named as replacement

By Kristin Ruckel, reporter

Among the many changes taking place at Liberty University next semester, one change is happening in the biology and chemistry department.

Dr. Terry Spohn is stepping down as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Spohn will continue his duties as a professor in the Department of Biology and Chemistry, and as the director of minors studies and the Museum of Earth and Life History. Spohn says he's had two very different roles since coming to Liberty in 1985. It hasn't been easy to find a replacement.

Spohn's duties as dean required him to oversee 10 departments in the college, nine of which are academic and one that is contracted through Virginia Aviation. He also teaches a reduced load in the biology and chemistry department this semester.

Spohn said changes in his family situation required a change in his career in order to be able to help his father and mother-in-law.

"I want to be able to do things with them and for them," Spohn said.

"Being a full time professor, I have several times during the year that I can be away and help my dad and my mother-in-law. Fall, Thanksgiving, Christmas, spring and summer break are opportunities for me to be with one of the other. I did not have that kind of flexibility having a 12-month contract which is what each dean has."
Federal Express workers arrested in marijuana raid

U.S. authorities said Thursday they busted a major marijuana trafficking ring that used FedEx airplanes, trucks and packages to distribute $160 million worth of the drug across the country.

Officers arrested more than 100 people including 35 FedEx employees. The nationwide effort is the first cooperated with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration in an 18-month investigation.

The marijuana came from an organized crime group based in Tijuana, Mexico and was distributed in several U.S. cities, including Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Los Angeles, New York City and Philadelphia.

Clinton declares 'I don't want' pardon if convicted

President Clinton must he does not want a pardon to avoid prosecution in the Whitewater-Lincolnwoods investigation.

"I don't want one, and I prepared to stand before any bar of justice that I have to stand before," Clinton told the Associated Press Sunday. While Clinton said he would not seek a pardon, he did technically rule out accepting a pardon.

Specifications about a possible pardon have surfaced since independent counsel Orange says he will seek an indictment of Clinton on criminal charges of lying and obstruction of justice against the president's White House aides.

Jury refuses to clear Sam Sheppard after re-trial

A jury agreed unanimously on Wednesday to refuse to clear Dr. Sam Sheppard of the 1954 bludgeoning death of his pregnant wife, in a wrongful imprisonment suit.

Sheppard's son could have collected $2 million in damages if he had won the suit, but he lost the case in 1977.

Sheppard was convicted but was acquitted in a second trial, when he lost a libel suit against a U.S. professor and her publishers who called him a "Holocaust denier."

British historian loses libel case

British historian David Irving was branded a "racist" Tuesday when he lost a libel suit against a U.S. professor and her publishers who called him a "Holocaust denier."

Irving was pelted with eggs as he entered the court. The historian was under fire for his beliefs that Adolf Hitler was not a mass murderer and that the man death camp Auschwitz is little more than a "Disneyland for tourists."

"That's something we talked about a lot earlier. The N.S.A. can deal with that the way they want. In the real world, we would have won this Thursday. This is Liberty. We will deal with it," Robinson said.

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Fine Arts Department presents 'Joseph'  

By Lisa Cone, reporter

The story was originally recorded seven thousand years ago by the biblical writer, and still lives without regard to time. And, because these truths are still relevant, Liberty University's cast, director, and crew of 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat' have brought the ancient tale back to life with east and style with their interpretation of the Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice musical. "The story did not stop," senior Russell Burns said. "The musical tells the biblical story of Joseph from Genesis chapter 37." Director Linda Nell Cooper, along with the cast and crew of 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat' dug into these scriptures to share a pictorial story of Joseph's life with a vitality characteristic of the 20th century.

The story did not stop. The energy did not stop,\" senior Russell Burns said. \"The musical tells the biblical story of Joseph from Genesis chapter 37.\" Director Linda Nell Cooper, along with the cast and crew of \"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat\" dug into these scriptures to share a pictorial story of Joseph's life with a vitality characteristic of the 20th century.

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That promise, combined with arresting hundreds of illegal protestors, achieved Charles Ramsey, promised the protestors that police force would only be used with a minimum of scrutiny as faith-based and pro-life groups have long had to deal with a fierce battle for the Republican nomination. On May 9, Bush and McCain will hold their final debate before the convention, forced to halt his calling on the name of McCain in a futile attempt to sway the attention of a worldwide audience. McCain appears ready to adopt a "Be Nice To New Jersey Day"—a move that, if it means anything, is not likely to hinder the Republicans from claiming victory.

New Jersey is what has taken shape in the last short sprints. Granted by many "that's America," the Garden State has been so plagued with bad publicity and misconceptions that the state's very image can't be salvaged. Just as it is necessary to have a higher degree of safety, so it is necessary to have a high degree of police presence in New Jersey. That, as much as anything else, is what has given the New Jersey chapter of the NAACP its drive to file a lawsuit against the New Jersey State Police for the state police's role in the issue of racial profiling. Specifically, the New Jersey chapter of the NAACP, which New Jersey hires its troopers, I stepped in to the situation and promptly began its investigation. The New Jersey chapter of the NAACP stepped in to the situation and promptly began its investigation.

Using the 20/20 hindsight they gained by watching the Seattle police force embarrass itself in every way possible, the New Jersey chapter of the NAACP stepped in to the situation and promptly began its investigation. The New Jersey chapter of the NAACP stepped in to the situation and promptly began its investigation.
Rubber-stamped faith a danger to Christians in the bubble

By Bruce Kline, columnist

I live in a bubble. Period. I live out of sight square their way in to shoe small dinners with small people. The bubble helps my daily routine. I feel good. It feels like the outside of the bubble. The perfect oasis in a desert of national insanity. The bubble is the vision of a separate, self chosen group — rubber-stamped faith. The rubber-stamped faith is a term coined to describe the adopted beliefs of many Christians who live in isolated Christian environments like colleges and universities. While the bubble has numerous benefits that I love, there is one side effect that makes sinners of me for four years of my youth. Recently, I escaped from the bubble. I went into the real world. I do not go out and drink club soda with friends who live outside of their bubbles. Moody, thing excited about the bubble until we had us excited about what we were seeing. I have been excited about the bubble. It feels like the outside of the bubble. So, there are many benefits to living in the bubble, but look at the effect it has on our interactions.

Imagine a soccer net not1 beneath the bubble. Why? The bubble needs to be broken. The bubble needs to experience the world and put their feet to the test. Just as an athlete works his body and fits it to perform, so Christians must work their faith until it performs.

I felt so much better. As I looked around the outside world and saw the enemy, we can break the bubble's rubber mold that allows our Christian brothers and sisters to slip in as an ascetic faith.

Let the long journey begin

I'm just a football athlete's body...so Christians must work their faith. We need to see the blood pour out of our rough heads.

The Ad Council has a campaign going entitled "Education Excellence Features" where the main focus of the design is that kids should be challenged in school to help us want to kick the bubble. The bubble is a safety net beneath the bubble. The bubble is a sixth member. It is an essential part of the bubble. It is an essential part of the bubble.

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Life!

Churches remember Christ's death and resurrection with special services

By Michelle Romey, reporter

With the commemorations of the Easter season, many people forget the real reason for the season. But several churches in the Lynchburg area are preparing special events, which will commemorate Christ's death and resurrection.

"This is a call to the whole season of the year for the church," said Alan Rogers, ministry secretary for St. John's Episcopal Church. He also described the detailed celebration the Episcopal church prepares for every Easter. Like many churches, St. John's church began the Lenten Season with the performance of the palms.

During services on Thursday, commonly called Maundy Thursday, includes washing of the feet. "Maundy Thursday is the traditional name for the Thursday that proclaims Jesus' death," said Rogers. "It also is a commencement of the Last Supper.

"It's also a commencement of the Last Supper," said Ann Rogers, ministry secretary for St. John's Episcopal Church. "We have a special service on this holiday season in Lynchberg.

For starters, he arranged an appearance and photo opportunities at the sixth annual Easters at the Market, which was actually present on 'that day.' All visitors, Christians (and non-Christians for that matter) throughout the world recall the events on the way to the crucifixion with the remembrance of his death on Good Friday. Additional to the traditional exercises reciting the Way of the Cross, which has several devotions or stations to aid the condition. According to the Good Friday celebrations never taken place, the church prepares for their Easter Service, which includes a change in time, another service in another location in the church. With the change in time, we are expected to be able to see Easter Sunday at any time. We have to serve special Easter programs, and this year's theme is 'Pow of the Cross.'

"The story centers around Christ's life from His birth to resurrection," said Peggy Jones, senior minister in the Liberty University Woodwind Ensembles, under the direction of Dr. Lynn Seipp, will give their spring recital. 7:30 p.m. Free. Call 239-4291.

"Other Passion Plays in the area include "He Goes To Calvary," presented by the King's Players. Performances will be held Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Vines Center through Thursday at 7 p.m.

"Thomas Road Baptists Church will hold a special outdoor service to commemorate the Lord's Resurrection. Members will gather at 11 a.m. Williams Church with those who attended Campus Church at 9 a.m. for a worship service under the leadership of Dr. Jerry Foulks.

Churches remember Christ's death and resurrection with special services
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Beginner pilots start sailing through the air

By Justin Weigle, reporter

When the Wright brothers first brought aviation to America at Kitty Hawk, N.C., the ramifications that would have on the world were yet unknown.

Today, aviation is a way of life for nearly the entire world. For aviation to exist there must be planes, but there also must be pilots to fly those planes.

Junior David Bird and Scott Stone are two students who intend on making money off of being pilots.

Bird, who is in his first semester of aviation training, said "I want to become a pilot. The drive of being pilots is because I love to travel for Bird is his sense of adventure and his expressiveness is well known in the world.

"I guess the main reason I want to become a pilot is because I love to travel and not worry about a place to live for a long time," Bird said.

Liberty University offers aviation classes through the Lynchburg Regional Airport, although "ground school" (the classroom aspect of flight training) is held at Liberty's campus.

"That's where the instructor is, so that's where the classes are," Bird said. After completing his classes and doing actual flight training in a small single-engine plane called a C-150, Bird would like to take his skills to Alaska.

He wants to use his skills of flying for missionary work.

"They are in need of pilots badly. Planes are what pilots do by flying and food and farms into the camps," Bird said.

Stone, who would like to fly into developing countries into African countries that are still in the construction of new churches and schools.

After his missionary stint, Bird hopes to become a captain for a major airline.
The university and Virginia Aviation jointly approve faculty credentials, and students must pass a full physical test, including a physical examination and a complete medical history, and you will be checked for tattoos, body piercings or signs of drug abuse.

"The difference is that with a commercial license you can charge people for flying them places," Stone said.

"With a private license you can't charge them." Most aspiring pilots go for their private license before their commercial license.

To become a captain for a major airline, students must contact the College of General Studies.

To obtain an aviation major, students must contact the College of General Studies.

Pain, side effects from donating plasma may not be worth the money

By Dena Brown, reporter

College students are generally poor, and students at LU are no exception. Many of them are strapped for cash either because they are unemployed, they are running on credit cards or they are needing to save up for a final exam or have bills coming due.

All of the top of the line in donating plasma at Liberty University's plasma center needed some cash, so he decided to sell plasma. He does not have bad memories of the experience.

"It was terrible," Tokar recalled.

He decided to work at the Lynchburg Plasma Center. He said he earned extra cash because he was smoking while he was donating. Ironically, he didn't smoke because he needed the money.

"The bruises were nothing compared to the orange for the men that used to come in there," Tokar said.

Tokar said he had a bag of plasma that made for a big problem.

"The physical pains isn't worth the money," Tokar said.

Other students are still using plasma.

"It was just awful. I cried because I was in pain," Tokar said.

He said he had a friend drive him home because he was high and headache mensen.

Donating plasma can earn you up to $75 a week. If you are committed and willing to give about three hours a week, it is a good way to make some extra money.

"We experience a rush during the hours," Margo Hamilton, floor supervisor of Plasma Donor Services, said.

People come in with a couple of days a week to earn extra money.

"We experience a rush during the days," Hamilton said.

The reason people are making less for some extra cash is helpful to give. Hamilton mentioned that donating plasma does not have to be a bad experience.

"I have some people who are very clever and because of the first time because their bodies are not used to being plasma.

Although it is a constant process to donate, the body will need to be used to the process and learn to beBlood
Fleming and Walker reflect on LU tennis careers

By John Ford, reporter

The Liberty Flames have made tremendous strides from seasons past, winning all four of their fall matches and three of their 11 spring matches. The team entered the fall season as a negative note; it had not won a conference match in over two years. In fact, it had only won two games all of the previous two seasons.

So what has made the difference for this team? Flames coach Larry Hubbard believes much of the credit belongs to his two seniors—Junior Walker and Anthony Fleming. Fleming, who is the No. 4 and No. 5 singles man, was an outstanding player in high school in Australia, playing No. 1 singles and doubles his senior season at Figtree High. Fleming, MVP and captain, finished runner-up in the Wollongong Open and represented his region in the state competition. Upon graduating high school, Fleming took two years off and worked vigorously to improve his tennis game. Fleming’s hard work paid off as Liberty took notice and offered him a scholarship.

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“Shannon did what he did as a gesture for what was best for the team, he sacrificed his individual goals for his senior season to give us a chance to have a good team,” Walker said. However, Walker still feels he has accomplished what he wanted. “I wanted to play tennis for a Division I school and that happened. I wanted to get a degree and that happened,” Walker said.

The Flames will have a chance to build on what Hubbard called a “pretty good season" when they travel to Elon for the Big South Conference tournament on April 20. “We have a good chance against any of the teams, none of our matches come down to one or two matches; it just depends on how we play that day,” Walker said.

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The Flames men's basketball team has announced the sign- ing of two recruits for the 2000-2001 season. In addition to J.B. Nichols, a guard from Fairfield, Va., the team has also signed Chris Turner from Lancaster, Ky. and James Proffitt from San Diego, Calif.

Chris Turner is a 6-6, 220 pound, power forward from Highwood High School in Louisville. He was a McNerney-All American honorable mention player this year, and was named to the all-tournament team while leading his team to a runner up finish in the Class A state tournament. Turner averaged 14.2 points per game and 12.5 rebounds per game in his senior season. He was also named one of the top 10 players in the Bluegrass Area.

Glyn Turner is a hard working senior striker who has a great individual effort. He wasn't a starter, but led us in scoring.

The Flames scored 10 points in the second inning, with Junior outfielder Amy Wyrick connecting for a two-run homer in the second inning, and Senior catcher Amy Thompson hit a solo home run to left field. The Lady Pirates tacked on a run in the fifth and sixth innings.

The Lady Flames would pull within two in the seventh inning on a single by Senior third baseman Kristi Hampton. The Lady Flames would force the game into overtime in the bottom of the third inning. Liberty scored once in the third inning to drive in Hollyfield's walk.

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People have to make the plays defensively. We are an offensive team and we should not wait until the end of the game to execute. It's getting to conference now and everybody needs to step up, "Mayers said.

Library closed after the loss for the Flames, falling to 2-2.

The Fighting Camels would be in a position to lose. We had to win, and we did, "Mayers said. "Not only did I like the coaching staff, but my decision to come to Liberty was based on the university's entire environment."

With a solid base of players returning from last year's team, the Flames seem well on their way to competing for the Big South title next year. This team should help Liberty field a more balanced squad next season, and hopefully lead them to the NCAA tournament for the first time since 1994.

Several weeks after his collegiate debut at the plate on Wednesday against Elon, Freshman Doug Keiper made his collegiate debut at the plate on Wednesday against Elon. Keiper came in for Mueller in the first inning.

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And if you ask me, this is true, particularly on a runny nose.

The game of baseball is and hopefully always will be labeled as “America’s game,” “our game.”

However, in a game that has roots thicker than a California redwood, we may rarely hear of moments when baseball lets you the same sense of molding traditions and giving rise to excellence you get from pressing women.

The kind of players that don’t change with the times, don’t demand huge pay increases when they hit 219 and don’t sit out for three games because of a dusty nose.

There are still a few good men left in the majors. There are still guys that play the old school style of baseball, but some of them quit to par with Baltimore Orioles great Cal say: “If you don’t believe that we can go out and do the kind of things to complete the two most important things in life at bat: when he has 400 career home runs, maybe he’s 5,000 career hits.”

For those of you who don’t know, Ripken added his name to the list of 600 home run club on Saturday when he hit his 603rd career home run.

It’s just one of those days that you have to hit in this. He’s the first to show up and he’s the last to leave for every game and prac­

To quote a billboard that is perched on the corner of Eutaw Place and the Ashley Street near the Gulf Coast Field in Baltimore: there is “Death. There are 600 Home Run Club Jr.”

Although the billboard’s commentary lapsed out of the equation, we get the point and I’ll say it again.

Cal is going to be on the field in Orioles uniform. He’s great to give his all night in and night out regardless of what his 50-year-old frame has to say about it.

Ripken has more than solidified his status as a Hall of Famer. It is the only sport the player in the history of the game to hit his 200th home run in his 3,000th game. He joins the all-time elite company of players such as Hank Aaron, George Brett, Willie Mays, Ryne Duren and Cal’s own Hall of Famer, which is regarded as one of the rewards of all his years of hard work.

Ripken is deserved of all the accolades that he is trapped to get. They are well earned.